

FIGHTING IN CRETE.

Battle Continued on the Island Until Midnight—Was Renewed This Morning.

THE MACEDONIAN COMPLICATIONS.

Neutral Zone Considered Impracticable—Blockade of Greece May be Urged—Salisbury Visits France and Has An Interview.

Canea, Crete, March 25.—Fighting between the Christians and Turks continued all night. The insurgents burned the Mussulman dwellings and property of Perivolia this morning and they burned and abandoned the fort at Koradi. Skirmishing is proceeding around the village of Tziklari near Suda. It is estimated that the insurgents lost 250 in the fight around Malasia.

The Macedonian Complication. St. Petersburg, March 25.—The diplomatic corps greatly apprehend that the serious complications in Macedonia will jeopardize the peace of Europe. The proposals of Great Britain to establish a neutral zone on the Greek frontier is regarded as impracticable. It is urged that it is preferable to immediately blockade Greece and thus nip the development of complications in Macedonia.

Turks Must Abandon Crete.

Constantinople, March 25.—The ambassadors of the powers held a meeting to consider the dispatch from the foreign admirals which are to the effect that it is daily becoming more evident that the non-fulfillment of Turkish authority in Crete is impossible, and recommending that European governors be appointed and the Turkish troops withdrawn.

Salisbury Calls on Hanotaux.

Paris, March 25.—British Premier Salisbury called on the French foreign minister, Hanotaux, this morning. They had an hour's interview.

Did Not Take Command To-Day.

Athens, March 25.—Crown Prince Constantine, who was to have been formally greeted today as commander-in-chief of the Greek army in Thessaly, and who was to have left Athens today to assume command in the field, postponed his departure at the last moment for a few days.

LOG OF MAYFLOWER RETURNED.

England Decides to Turn It Over to Ambassador Bayard to be Sent to America.

London, March 25.—In consequence of the efforts of the government of Massachusetts, the American Antiquarian and Massachusetts Historical societies, the Pilgrim society of Plymouth, and the New England society of New York, backed up by the desires of the archbishop of Canterbury and the bishop of London, the Consistory Court of the Diocese of London assembled today in the old chapel of St. Paul's cathedral in order to determine the question of the restoration of the log of the Mayflower to the United States.

The chancellor of the diocese, Dr. Thomas H. Truman, Q. C., presided in wig and gown.

The chancellor asked if New England was part of Massachusetts and counsel and Mr. Lee were unable to answer the question.

Thereupon the chancellor said: "Is there anybody present able to answer the question?"

The question was then answered by a representative of the Associated Press, who said that Massachusetts was part of New England.

The chancellor asked if Plymouth was in Massachusetts and the Associated Press representative assured him it was.

Later the chancellor said, after hearing the arguments:

"I order, on the undertaking given by Mr. Bayard to place the log in a fit place where persons concerned can have access thereto, and a proper certified copy being deposited at Fulham, that the original be given up to Mr. Bayard for transmission to the president of the United States and that the copy of this judgment under seal be set with the book whenever Mr. Bayard or some one else of the United States embassy can attend. In the meanwhile it will remain in the diocesan strong room."

After these proceedings Dr. Temple said: "I am glad the book is returning to America. It will be another evidence of our sincerity, admiration and love for America and our desire to draw the two nations closer together."

The bishop of London will deliver the book to Mr. Bayard personally.

SILER RETURNS.

He Talks to Chicagoans About the Big Fight and His Part as Referee.

CORBETT WAS SQUARELY BEATEN.

Fitzsimmons Was Not Knocked Down but Missed, Fell on His Knee and Took Time to Wipe His Face.

Chicago, March 25.—As the Chicago & Alton train pulled into the depot yesterday off hopped a rugged, sun-burned, athletic man of 50 years of age.

"Good morning, Mr. Siler," said the reporter.

"How are you, my boy?" replied the referee of the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight, with a hearty shake of the hand.

"I am ready to tell you all about it," continued Siler, "although I fancy the ground has been covered pretty thoroughly. Who did I think would win?"

"I never gave the matter a thought. The men picked me out to decide the 'fight of the century,' as it had been aptly called—and, believe me, I, who have seen hundreds of fights, never saw its equal for fast work and fair methods, and I never considered the chances of either man, only endeavored to fit myself so as to be cool headed and make a correct decision."

"Do I think the better man won?"

"Indeed, Fitzsimmons was the better man that day. His man couldn't get up in time, could he? That's all there is of it. What next? Fitzsimmons knocked down No. he wasn't; he missed and fell to his knee, staid down several seconds, wiping the blood from his face, and at either eight or nine got up and continued fighting."

"Now, the finish. It was this way: I was standing close to the men, who were near together. Fitz 'shifted,' that is, his left foot had been advanced, and he changed so that his right foot was in front. Then he upprent with the left hand. The result was simply astonishing. One could see the blow landed on Corbett's body, but where, to be exact, none could say, but somewhere under the heart. Corbett staggered and Fitz got the left in again. This time a tap on the jaw. Then Fitz stepped back. This was inexplicable, as any one would naturally suppose he would rush to his man and finish him then and there."

"Corbett put his hand—or the glove rather—to his heart, and slowly sank. My! but I was relieved when his knee touched the floor, a happening I was closely watching, because I feared Fitz would rush and there would always be a chance to say the fight had been decided on a foul."

"His knee once on the floor, I realized all danger was over, for Fitz could see as well as I, and would not punch."

"Well, Corbett rested on his knee, his other leg stretched from his body and backward. Slowly he pulled this member along, balanced himself and tried to crawl toward the ropes."

"I was following Muldoon's count, and I called ten, went over to Corbett, put my hand on his shoulder, and said: 'Your's done, Jim.' It was not necessary for me to count ten. I could have said nine, and at Muldoon's call of ten decided 'out,' but I saw there was no chance for Corbett and I wished to make everything so plain that there never could be a quibble, concerning the matter."

"I think Muldoon went on counting up to twelve. Maybe two seconds later Corbett regained his feet, and rushing at Fitz, smashed at him, but Bob ducked the blow."

"Then there was pandemonium and the ring filled with people. Black jacks and bottles were quickly in evidence, and I 'folded my tent,' as I had not been engaged to referee any free fight."

"The men were disposed throughout to fight fairly, and, much to my surprise, fought little when clinched, breaking away quickly. I never passed between them and might as well have been outside the ring."

"Fitz's blow for which he was cautioned struck Jim somewhere about the groin, but was too light to do any damage."

"What about Corbett saying: 'My friends will not let me lose'?"

THE TARIFF.

Debate Continues Under the Five Minute Rule—Amendments are Offered.

DEMOCRATS TALK ABOUT TRUSTS.

Grosvenor Asserts that Trusts were Most Powerful Under Wilson Bill—Newsdays Says Trusts Protect Prices.

Washington, March 25.—The house proceeded to the consideration of the tariff bill which was opened for amendment under the five minute rule this morning. Lanham (Dem. Tex.) moved to strike out the enacting clause. The chair ruled the motion out of order. Dockery (Dem. Mo.) moved to amend the enacting clause by a proviso that whenever it is shown to the satisfaction of the president that trust or combinations control the price of any article on the dutiable list the duty on such articles should be suspended. Dockery made the point of order that the amendment really was germane to the free list instead of the dutiable list. Dockery said he wanted to offer it here because the free list would never be reached. Cooper (Dem. Tex.) offered a substitute for the Dockery amendment containing a definition of trusts and providing for the determination of its existence by the courts. Richardson (Dem. Tenn.) challenged the other side who were ostensibly opposed to trusts aid in the adoption of the amendment. A long debate on the point of order followed. Hepburn (Rep. Ia.) raised a laugh on the Democratic side by saying the amendment if adopted would defeat the purpose of the bill. He explained that it would be easy for a few men who desired free wool or free sugar to combine to raise prices and thus force those articles to the free list. Bailey thanked Hepburn for the frank admission that the destruction of trusts would interfere with the purpose of the bill. Hepburn retorted by trying to show that under the present of creating trust legislation the bill could be destroyed. Grosvenor (Rep. O.) declared there never was a time when the trusts had the government and the people by the throat as they had the last four years. Terry (Dem. Ark.) challenged Grosvenor to name a trust not on the side of McKinley the last campaign. Grosvenor named the silver trust and Republican cheers. Newsdays, silverite Republican, declared the most trusts in the past ten years were for protection against falling prices. Even labor was organizing trusts for that purpose.

TOM NEEDLES' SPEECH DID IT.

How He Knocked Out the "Bicycle Bill" in the Legislature.

There was a lengthy discussion in the Illinois legislature on the bill of Representative Allen to authorize townships to construct and maintain hard roads. The bill made provision for the submission of the question of issuing bonds to a vote of the people of a township upon the petition of twenty land owners.

Mr. Stoskopf offered an amendment providing that the petition must be signed by one-half of the land owners. Mr. Needles offered an amendment requiring the petition to be signed by two-thirds of the land owners. This was at once accepted by Mr. Stoskopf.

Mr. Needles spoke against the bill. "In Ohio, he said, 'they can have hard roads without much expense because all they have to do is to shovel the rocks off of their farms into the middle of the road. (Laughter.) We have a different soil here and can't make hard roads in that way. I deny that this bill will be of benefit to the farmer. If it is passed it will break up two-thirds of the land owners of the state. To the gentlemen in the cities it would be a beautiful thing, of course, to take a drive of fifteen or twenty miles, a pleasure excursion, over a driveway paid for by the man who handles the plow day after day in the boiling sun. (Applause.) Mr. Needles concluded by calling the measure a "bicycle" bill.

The discussion was cut short by a motion by Mr. Boyer to strike out the enacting clause, which was carried.

THE OTHER SIDE.

Willis H. Post, secretary of the McLean county good roads league, was thoroughly disgusted when he heard of the action of the legislature. He said to a reporter that such talk as this about breaking up the farmers was the result of ignorance pure and simple. To support his idea he pulled a tract from which he quoted statistics. He said:

"Wide roads are not required in an ordinary farming section. A single track of stone with an earth track alongside is in many respects better. Without going into details I judge that such a road can be built on the average, with the price paid labor, at \$4 per rod. Supposing the road to be built with such labor and paid for upon the stated plan adopted in New Jersey, the cost would fall equally upon the benefit district, the county and the state, the benefit district including the habitual users of the road, and estimated to extend an average of one mile on each side of it. The land of the users would be assessed in proportion to their benefits for one-third the cost, payable in ten yearly installments, beginning one year after the completion of the road, the county meanwhile advancing the money and having authority to issue short bonds for this purpose and long ones for its own share."

"The cost of the road at \$4 per rod would be \$1980 per mile, and the benefit district would contain two square miles or 1280 acres for each mile of road this making the cost \$1 per acre, of which one-third spread over ten years would be less than 4 cents per year per acre, including interest. The county could recoup itself largely by the saving in cost of road repairs and the state by increase of taxable values."

Mr. Post firmly believes the people only need education up on the road question to finally come to the point of building hard roads.

Dr. Henry T. Joffey, an old resident of Peoria died on Saturday aged 52.

THE LEGISLATURE.

House Refuses to Concur in the Committee Report Against the Bicycle Baggage Bill.

Springfield, Ill., March 25.—In the house today Johnson demanded a roll call which as it proceeded showed no quorum present. The Democrats to break a quorum refrained from voting. The roll showed only seventy-seven responses. Speaker Curtis announced a quorum and though a verification was demanded by the Democrats the house proceeded to business. The speaker announced the following special committee to consider the resolution, proposing a constitutional convention: Allen, chairman; Selby, Cochran, Miller, Sherman, Booth, Griffin, Alshuler, Morris, Craig, Johnson. The committee on roads and bridges made an adverse report on the bicycle baggage bill, but the house non-concurred and placed the bill on the order for first reading.

Great Explosion—Three Killed.

Philadelphia, March 25.—A terrific explosion occurred this afternoon at the works of the Dupont chemical company, Glibston, N. J. James Heuderman, Carl Wright and Thomas Stiles were blown to atoms. Five buildings were blown to splinters. The shock was felt 25 miles away. The works turned out powder and dynamite.

To Eliminate Faith Healers.

Des Moines, March 25.—The house today passed the senate medical practice act without change thus driving out the osteopaths, faith healers, massage doctors and all others professing to heal, unless the passed examination the same as physicians. Inherents are taxed two hundred and fifty dollars a year.

The Wagon House.

The floor in the patrol wagon house on South Water street dries slowly. It will be some days yet before the place can be used for the hurry-up wagon and team. Today Supt. Alexander began the construction of the driveway to the street across the walk and boulevard.

Dr. Luis Found Guilty.

Baltimore, March 25.—The jury in the case of Dr. J. J. Luis, charged with assisting in the fitting out of a filibustering expedition to Cuba today returned a verdict of guilty.

The Steeple Chase.

Liverpool, March 25.—The grand national steeple chase, the great steeple chase of the year, was won by Manificence, Filbert second, Ford of Fins third.

Drowning Case.

Allensville, Ky., March 25.—Marshall Russell, Maria Shodon and Maggie Short were drowned by the upsetting of a boat while boat riding on a pond last night.

Hunter Lacks Two Votes.

Frankfort, Ky., March 25.—On joint ballot for United States senator again today Dr. Hunter lacked two votes of enough to elect him.

A Fight Ends Fatally.

Plymouth, Ind., March 25.—During a fight last night Jacob Leeds was fatally stabbed and Blanchard Thomas was shot and instantly killed.

MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Ill., March 25, 1897. The REPUBLICAN is indebted to B. Z. Taylor, dealer in grain, provisions and stocks, with correspondents in Chicago, New York, Minneapolis and St. Louis for the following market quotations:

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PITH AND POINT.

—The acme of politeness was reached by a mining superintendent who posted a placard reading: "Please do not tumble down the shaft."—Melbourne Weekly Times.

—Scribble always was a lucky dog. "What's he got now?" "Invented a new form of dialect story, a cross between Scotch and toughs' slang, that no one can understand. His fortune's made."—Cincinnati Tribune.

Delectably Put—"And how did he die?" asked the lady who had come west to inquire after the husband she had lost. "Er—by request, ma'am," said the gentle cowboy, as mildly and regretfully as possible.—Indianapolis Journal.

—Jones—"Great guns! You're getting deaf, old man." Smith—"I'm not. I could never hear better in my life." Jones (producing a watch)—"Can you hear that watch tick?" Smith (triumphantly)—"Distinctly." Jones—"That's queer. The watch isn't running."—Household Words.

—Republican Limitations.—"Popper," said Willie, "is this a republic?" "Yes, my son." "And can we do as we please?" "That is the law, unless we please to do what is wrong." "Is skating wrong, pa?" "No, indeed." "Then I'm going. Ma said I shouldn't, but if the law says—" He didn't.—Harper's Pazar.

—An Explanation.—Two ladies had called, and while they were waiting for their cards to be taken up, they examined the pictures. "This," said one, "must be one of the old masters." "If ye please, ma'am," replied the servant, who was standing in the door, "ye're mistaken. All them pictures belongs till the missus."—Washington Star.

—A certain regiment had a very small band, but the commanding officer's feet were—well, very large. One day the regiment was to march out, but the music was not forthcoming. "Where the deuce is the band?" queried the adjutant. For some time there was no reply; but when the question was repeated, a gruff voice was heard from the rear rank: "I believe, sir, the colonel trod on it be accid'."—Tit-Bits.

—Negro Prisoner Being Justice.—"Yes, sah, I tuk the chicken. I was gwinter make some chicken pie, and I tuk de cook book and read de direct-shuns, and hit says: 'Take one chicken.' Hit don't say buy one chicken, or borrow one chicken, but hit says take one chicken. Hit don't say whose chicken ter take, so I jess tuk de first one I could lay my han's on. I followed de direct-shuns in de book."—Credit Lost.

FOR RENT.

Three Suites of Rooms in Pasfield Building.

Suite of Two Rooms—
With clothes closet and private water closet and toilet, per month \$13.50.

Suite of Two Rooms—
With clothes closets and private water closet and toilet, per month \$10.

Suite of Two Rooms—
With clothes closets, but no private water closet, per month \$10.

These prices include water rent.
I. D. Stine, Architect, Agent.
Pasfield Building.

Sunday Evening Club.

The members of the Young Men's Sunday evening club will resume control of the evening services at the Congregational church Sunday night. Committees will arrange musical programs for each service and ushers will be appointed in turn. The officers of the society now are as follows:

President—Frank Stevenson.
Vice President—Arthur Lindsay.
Secretary—Clarence Walt.

Sunday night George R. Bacon will act as head usher and will be assisted by a committee of others.

Will Arrive To-Night.

Fathers Sherman and Flinnigan of St. Louis who are to conduct the mission at St. Patrick's Catholic church, will arrive in the city this evening and will be guests at the residence of Rev. Father J. P. Blackon. They will hold services for the first time Sunday morning. Services will be held each morning and at night for the first week will be services for women only and the second week for men only. The members of the German Catholic church will attend and on account of the large number of persons who will probably be present it is necessary to make a division so there can be accommodations for all.

Over the Wheels.

One of the chief factors in the constructive worth of Cleveland wheels is to be found in the fact that from the greatest part down to the least, every portion of the bicycle is built in Cleveland factories. In these days such a fact as this means much to the buyer. A bicycle should be a harmonious whole, not a haphazard combination of discordant parts. Each part, no matter how small and apparently insignificant, must harmonize with every other part, if the highest type of mechanical and artistic construction is to be achieved, and no one can critically examine the new Cleveland models without realizing that each part of these superb machines is so well proportioned with others that the completed bicycle is the essence of well balanced strength and undemonstrative taste. This is what makes a machine run easily and last for years without expensive repairs bills. And you never have to walk home.

Ask some of the hardest riders in Decatur who have used the same machine for the last five years, and are riding them today.

We will take pleasure in showing you samples or sending you catalogue.

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Take the Vandavia fast train to Peoria, two hours and fifty minutes. Leaves at 11:42 a. m.

The Christian Endeavor society will give an entertainment at the Tabernacle Saturday night.

The "Old Maids' Convention by the Epworth League will be given at the Tabernacle Friday night, April 2.

Miss Ethel Combs returned Wednesday from a visit with her sister at Natick.

Frank Hoover and wife were the guests of relatives in Forsyth over Sunday.

Ervin Hight and wife, of Assumption, were the guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Hight, Sunday.

Dan Tait, of Champaign, was home Sunday.

Mrs. Belle Phillips is quite sick.

The Bon Bon Candy Club met at the home of Misses Vanda and Edith Wilford Tuesday evening.

J. F. Smith left Wednesday for a business visit in Southern Missouri and Northern Arkansas.

There will be no services in the Presbyterian church Sunday except Sunday school and Endeavor, which will be held in the annex. The congregation will unite with the M. E. congregation for preaching.

Miss Lillian Draper spent Sunday with friends in Decatur.

The Presbyterian church is being papered and re-roofed.

Republican Ticket—

The Republicans of South Macon township met last Saturday afternoon at 2:30 and after choosing Hattie R. Woodcock for permanent chairman, nominated the following ticket:

For Supervisor—Oliver H. Draper.

For Town Clerk—Bismarck A. Schudel.

For Assessor—Otto H. Hill.

For Collector—Rollin Giblin.

For Constables—Edward A. Posey and Fred Ruby.

For Justice of the Peace—Albion Daggett.

For Commissioner of Highways—Augustus R. Keller.

Democratic Ticket—

The Democrats met in the evening and nominated the following ticket after choosing Fred Kriechel as permanent chairman:

For Supervisor—Oliver Gibson.

For Assessor—J. J. Attebery.

For Collector—Anton Beschle.

For Town Clerk—W. C. Allinson.

For Constables—James Leatherman and William Carroll.

For Justice of the Peace—James A. Cook.

For Commissioner of Highways—William Crossan.

The Masons of this city worked third degree work on J. A. Montgomery Tuesday night. They had a good attendance. Luncheon was served at 10:30.

H. R. Woodcock, J. H. Leatherman, J. I. Lebo, A. A. Anderson, A. M. Warren, M. D. Alexander, Fred Florey, Felix Beschle, E. L. Hight and B. A. Schudel went to Moweaqua last Thursday evening to confer third degree Masonic rank on Ed W. Smith. A banquet was served after the work was done.

The high school question will be voted on at the school election Saturday, April 10.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. Cheney & Co., Props. Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions, and financially able to carry out any obligation made by their firm.

WEST & TRUAX,
Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.
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Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Price 75c per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Testimonials free.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Another gas company has been organized in Joliet, and the people of that city expect to secure their lights at a much cheaper rate than formerly.

All the different forms of skin troubles, from chapped hands to eczema and indolent ulcers can be readily cured by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, the great pile cure. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

An effort is making to organize a troop of cavalry at Peoria. Sixty-one names have been secured already.

Given Up by Four Doctors.

Beaver Dam, O., Aug. 27, 1895.

My daughter, after being treated by four doctors, and being given up for lost, a neighbor recommended Foley's Kidney Cure. Today she is able to walk several miles without fatigue. I feel we should have lost her if it was not for your medicine.

Respectfully, MRS. J. M. BAILEY.

H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Jacob J. Hubbard, who is a candidate for city attorney of Chicago, is a son of Mrs. Mary Hubbard of Lincoln and was born and grew to manhood in Logan county.

Going Down Hill.

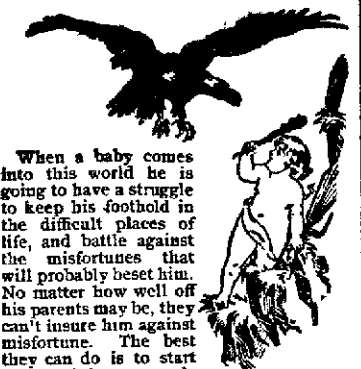
People suffering from Kidney Disease pass a gradual but steady loss of strength and vitality. They should lose no time in trying Foley's Kidney Cure, a guaranteed preparation. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

The Kankakee river is full of lizards this spring. Fishermen are getting large strings of them. They steal the minnows from the hooks and interfere with the sport of angling.

Something for burns, scalds, chapped hands and lips. Healing for cuts and sores. Instant relief for piles, stops pain at once. These are the virtues of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

J. C. Poffenberger, of Peoria has fallen heir to a fortune of \$2,000,000 by the death of a relative in South America. It consists of coffee plantations, cattle ranges and of coffee, gold mines galore.

A weed in the garden can be easily destroyed when it first starts. Consumption can be nipped in the bud by One Minute Cough Cure. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.



When a baby comes into this world he is going to have a struggle to keep his foothold in the difficult places of life, and battle against the misfortunes that will probably beset him. No matter how well off his parents may be, they can't insure him against misfortune. The best they can do is to start him with a good, healthy, vigorous constitution.

A mother who wants to bequeath her baby a good store of strength and hardihood ought to keep herself in the best physical condition during the time her little one is expected. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription has been a wonderful blessing to mothers and their children. It gives strength to the special organism concerned in maternity; it purifies the system and imparts healthful vitality to the nerve-centres. It makes the coming of baby safe and comparatively painless.

It is the only medicine in the world designed by a regularly graduated physician and skilled specialist to cure all weaknesses and diseases of the feminine organism.

W. R. Malcolm, Esq., of Knobel, Clay Co., Ark., writes: "My wife, for perhaps four months previous to the birth of our child took the 'Favorite Prescription.' This strengthened her entire system, and child-birth, to me, was very easy, being attended with little pain. Our baby Ruth is 13 months old and she had never been sick a day, not so much as had the colic; she is hearty and stout, and pretty as a picture—pretty because she is healthy, and we very much blame Dr. Pierce's family medicines for it."

We keep Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, the 'Favorite Prescription' and the 'Pleasant Pellets' in our home and use them. We have been married most three years and I have called a physician into my family but one time—at birth of our baby."

If all the maladies due to constipation were taken out of medical books, there would be little left but the covers. Constipation is positively, permanently cured by Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. Never gripe. Druggists sell them. Nothing is 'just as good.'

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Under the auspices of Dunham Post, No. 141,

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The press and veterans unite in praise of Gen.

Gordon's lecture: "He ought to be heard by every young American." "It is a superb lecture!" "He is a speaker of magnetic eloquence."

"A soldier above reproach, a statesman without a blemish, an orator whose peers are few"—are a number of the press comments.

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Parquet and first three rows in the Dress Circle, 75c, first three rows in Balcony, 75c. General Admission to first floor and Balcony, 50c. Gallery, 25c; Lower Boxes, \$5.00, Upper Boxes, \$1.00.

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Call for Stockholders' Meeting of the Stockholders of the Municipal Electric Company of Decatur, Ill.

To whom it may concern: The undersigned stockholders of the Municipal Electric Company of Decatur, Illinois, being the owners of more than two thirds of the stock of said corporation and upon which all the assessments have been fully paid up, do hereby call a meeting of the stockholders of said corporation to be held at the office of said corporation in Decatur, Illinois, upon the 10th day of April, 1897, at the hour of 1 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of authorizing the president and secretary of said company to execute, acknowledge and deliver the notes and mortgages of said company, to secure the existing indebtedness of said company to J. Henson G. Willard and Robert W. Hight and Joseph C. Hostetler and Edward L. Peggman, and to be in the aggregate amount of not to exceed \$50,000, and upon such terms and for such time as shall be deemed expedient by the officers so authorized to execute said notes and mortgages or as shall be particularly provided for by resolution adopted at such meeting.

John H. Culver, owner of 20 shares of stock, James H. Willard, owner of 20 shares of stock, dated at Decatur, Ill., March 19, 1897.

Florence H. Culver, owner of 1 share of stock, James H. Willard, owner of 20 shares of stock, dated at Decatur, Ill., March 19, 1897.

Dr. T. S. Hoskins, Decatur, Opera House Block, ground floor.

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One lot of Ladies' Sample Jackets and Capes, less than half their value.

Jackets at \$1.50, worth \$4.50.

Jackets at \$2.00, worth \$5.00.

One lot of Children's Spring Jackets—samples—

Sizes 4 to 8 years, 75c and \$1.00. Sizes 8 to 14 years, \$1.50 and \$1.95.



Tailor-Made Suits

A great feature with us this season. We have just opened up some very stylish Ready-made Suits for today.

Plain Cloth Suits, blue or black, lined skirt, \$10.00 and \$12.00. Better Suits at \$7.50 and \$10.00.

Very large selection of Fine Suits, made up in the best tailor style. Jackets of cloth and velvet, \$15.00 to \$40.00 suit. These suits are copies of the late importations from Paris and Berlin.

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Sparrow's fine chocolate for sale at the Opera House Drug store.

The Democrats are talking of putting up John Gogerty or Major Williams for mayor.

Tender roast beef with brown gravy served at noon daily at Singleton's restaurant.—Ost 11dtf

Buy your flower and garden seeds at W. H. Guillett & Son's flower store. They keep the best. Plant your sweet peas early. Do it now, no delay. Stiff clay soil is best for them. W. H. Guillett & Son, Milikin Building.—30-dtf

No better soft coal in this market than Lincoln or Riverton. Lincoln is the hardest of any coal within 100 miles of Decatur and the harder the coal the longer it will burn. Hard coal all sizes, always in stock at market price. Up town office, Irwin's drug store, office and yard 800 North Broadway, old phone 433, new phone 485. M. F. Metz.—31-dtf

Ladies' and Children's made-up dresses, cloaks and capes chemically dyed, cleaned and pressed with ripping apart. Chénille and Portier Curtains dyed and dry cleaned, at Miller's Steam Dye House and Dry Cleaning Works, 145 N. Main street.

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THERE WERE 200 GUESTS.

Marriage in the Hall of Faithful Lodge of Good Templars.

Charles Keas and Miss Minnie Chew were united in marriage last night at the hall of Faithful lodge of Good Templars at the Chronicle hall. The regular lodge session was held and then everything was ready for the wedding. At 8:45 the prospective bride and groom entered the ante-room door and were escorted by Ushers Arthur Mills and Fred Keas around the room and in front of the altar, facing the chief templar. Rev. W. F. Gillmore stepped forward and performed the simple ring ceremony, after which congratulations followed by the 200 Good Templars and friends of the couple present. The couple was attended by John Pierce and Miss Anna Chew, niece of the bride. Mrs. George Wickens played the wedding march. Many handsome presents were received by the couple, including several pieces of silverware.

Mr. and Mrs. Keas left on the midnight train for Chicago. They will be absent ten days, after which they will reside in a newly furnished residence on North Morgan street.

Charles Keas is employed at the Wabash shops and is an old Good Templar. The bride is the daughter of William Chew and wife of 610 Condit street and is also a member of Faithful lodge.

Farewell Exhibition.

Last evening an athletic exhibition was given by the members of the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium classes at the association rooms. There were a large number of persons present who were pleasantly entertained. There was club swinging and work on the horizontal bar and other apparatus. The best feature was the pyramid work which was splendidly executed by the boys and showed that they had been trained.

The entertainment was in the nature of a farewell to Professor Bair, who has been acting for the past season as physical director and whose duties in that capacity have terminated. Mr. Bair has been a delightful worker in the physical department of the Y. M. C. A. and the results of his efforts are seen in the manner in which the members of his class show the training they have received. The gymnasium work of the Y. M. C. A. has been brought to a high standard and to Mr. Bair credit is due for accomplishing that end. Mr. Bair will leave in a few days for Columbus, Ohio, and expects to associate himself with the Y. M. C. A. of that city. He has many friends in this city who regret his departure.

Entertainment at Tabernacle.

Last evening the members of the United American Mechanics gave an entertainment at the tabernacle. The attendance was large and a good sum was cleared. The proceeds are to be used for charitable purposes. Music was rendered by the mandolin orchestra and songs and recitations were given. The local branch of the United American Mechanics was organized last August but there are already about seventy-five members. The society is a benefit and insurance organization and only persons who were born in this country are eligible to membership.

The program rendered was as follows: Glee Spring is Coming..... Chorus Prayer..... Chorus Anthem—Great and Marvelous..... Chorus Recitation..... Ina Warnick Music by the Weary Walker..... Mandolin Club Recitation—My Drunken Husband.....

.....Mrs. Olive Warnick Jolly Jonathan..... Quartette Recitation—Photographs..... Olive Funk Busybodies..... Mixed Quartette Duet—Hail to the Flag..... Eva and Clyde Moore Address..... Rev. G. F. Hall Peter Gray..... Male Quartette Duet..... Chester Russell and Edna Miller Manager's Troubles..... Quartette The entertainment closed with a series of stereophonic views.

Basket Ball To-Night.

The members of the Y. M. C. A. will play their last public game of basket ball this evening at the Guards' armory. A large number of tickets have been sold and there will probably be a large attendance. Two teams have been formed and the players and their positions will be as follows:

Mohawks—Walmsley—Left Forward. H. Erwin—Right Forward. Williams—Center. Johnson—Left Guard. C. Erwin—Right Guard. Apaches—White—Left Forward. Spies—Right Forward. Covington—Center. Barr—Left Guard. Rhoads—Right Guard.

Against the Pictures.

The W. C. T. U. passed the following resolutions yesterday, bearing on the Corbett Fitzsimmons fight, and of which kinetoscope views are to be shown in the opera house soon:

"Resolved, That the Woman's Christian Temperance Union do hereby most earnestly condemn the exhibition through kinetoscopes or any other manner of prize fights or other brutal exhibitions in our city and express the hope that our city council will take steps to prevent and forbid all such exhibitions."

The women will circulate petitions against the kinetoscope show of the fight soon.

Public Sale.

I will sell at my farm two miles west of Decatur on the Springfield road Saturday, March 27, at 10 o'clock a. m., the following live stock:

Twenty head of Jersey, Holstein and Short Horn cows and heifers.

13-dtd D. C. Moffitt.

Cunningham at Carlinville.

The L. W. Carson, arrested at Carlinville March 13 for an attempt to defraud the Carlinville bank out of a lot of money on a forged telegram from the Ridgely bank, Springfield, proves to be Frank Cunningham, alias F. S. Fox, who was convicted in Decatur for the same offense. He got out of the difficulty by receiving a light jail sentence and paying a fine of \$100. Cunningham will probably get away from Carlinville on a light sentence. He appears to have influence. His home is at Colfax, Ill.

At the Decatur Club.

Last night was lady guest night at the Decatur club parlors. The attendance, numbering about 100, enjoyed six handed euchre. There were fifteen tables and the game was an enjoyable one. There were two ladies' prizes given, each one being a handsome decorated china creamer and sugar. The first prize was won by Mrs. A. R. Montgomery and the second by Mrs. Frank Shludeman. After the game frappe and wafers were served.

The next ladies' night will be on the last Thursday in April and it will probably be the last of the season.

Farewell for Miss Floy Towl.

Last night a farewell party was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Levi Towl in honor of their daughter, Miss Floy, who will leave soon for Colorado in the hope of recuperating her health. The company composed some twenty or thirty of her young friends and they had a merry time playing games until a late hour. The guests included Misses Ada Johnson, Lillian Stout, Estelle Williams, Myrtle Flint, Pearl Joffers, Bessie Sanner, Bessie Lutz, Irene Sikes, Mary Tollyday, Sarah Imboden, Daisy Fletcher, Messrs. Will Starr, Jr., Wilber Starling, Arthur Jeffers, Ralph Cruzan, Fred Stout, Charles Record, Charles Steele, Milton Lutz, Clarence Irwin, Wayne Williams and Alva Johnson. Refreshments were served to the young folks during the evening.

Sunday School Entertainment To-Night. The program for the entertainment to be given by the Grace Methodist church Sunday school tonight is as follows:

Piano Duet—"Honey Moon," Misses Post and Brown. Vocal Solo—"I Love You Best of All," Miss Green.

Selection—Mandolin club. Recitation—"Mary Ann Dollinger's Wise Decision," Miss Kelly. Pipe Organ—"A and B Selected," Mr. Beckwith. Vocal Solo—Selected, Miss Stevens. Piano Solo—Miss Phillips. Recitation—"Polish Boy," Miss Ada Foster.

Selection—Mandolin club. Selection—Male quartet. Pipe Organ—Selection, Mr. Beckwith. After the program has been rendered a social will be held in the lecture room. The entertainment is given under the management of the classes of Mrs. Gillmore, Mrs. Dennis, Miss Penwell, Miss Cornman and Mr. Spence.

Mid-Lent Sunday at All Angels' Church. The Right Rev. George F. Seymour, S. T. D., LL. D., will make his annual visitation to this parish on next Sunday and give confirmation to the class of young people now being prepared by the rector. That day is called Mid-Lent Sunday and the feast of the annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be commemorated in the services of Sunday morning.

The musical services will be as follows: Morning—Processional—"The Son of God Goes Forth to War," (Outier.) Venite and Psalter—Gregorian tones. Benedicite—Omnia Opera, Domini—(Cornell.)

Benedicite—Gregorian tones. Hymn—"Witness, Ye Men and Angels, Now," (Dr. Dykes.) Confirmation.

Introit—"Hail! Thou Once Despised Jesus," (Monk.) Kyrie Gloria Tihl—King Hall in C. The sermon.

Offertory—Recitative, "Then Shall the eyes of the blind be opened," Air, "He Shall Feed His Flock," (Handel.) Sursum Corda and Sanctus—King Hall in C.

After Consecration—"Hail Sacred Feast," (Canon Knowles.) Preper Hymn—"O Saving Victim," (Dr. Mason.) Nunc Dimittis—(Gregorian.)

Recessional—"O Mother Dear, Jerusalem," (Roper.) Evening—Processional—"Lead Us, Heavenly Father, Lead Us," (M. Haydn.)

Psalter, Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis—Gregorian tones. Office Hymn—"Praise We the Lord This Day," (Gauntlett.)

Offertory—"The Angel Sped on Wings of Light," (Dr. Dykes.) Recessional—"Sun of My Soul," (German.)

Miss Mae Harwood will sing at the morning service that matchless air of Handel's, "He Shall Feed His Flock Like a Shepherd."

A New Firm.

Messrs. C. W. Hastings and C. M. Goltz, the latter some years bookkeeper for the Bushway Extract company, have formed a partnership known as the Decatur Extract company, and will occupy the building at 735 North Water street. The firm is composed of young well and favorably known men, and will no doubt succeed.

The graduating class of the Decatur high school for 1897 has adopted "End Crowns the Work" for the class motto.

At The Grand.

Minstrel To-Night.

The colored home minstrel entertainment will be given tonight at the opera house under the management of Fred O. Jones and D. A. Barrackman. There are several features that it is said will interest anybody, including Dick Thorpe and Albert Clark, and the great cake walk.

The entertainment will be for the benefit of the Fride tabernacle.

GOT OFF WITH JAIL SENTENCES.

Zanzie, Mrs. Norman and Lynch in the County Court.

A new feature in the alleged conspiracy charges against Professor Zanzie, the clairvoyant, Mrs. Emma Norman and J. C. Lynch, who played an alleged joke on U. I. Pifer of Sullivan, by which they caused him to give up a note for \$800 and \$20 in cash, was developed last evening when the accused appeared in the county court before Judge Hammer on an information charging them with having extorted money from Pifer. There seemed to be an understanding between all the parties and the defendants pleaded guilty, throwing themselves on the mercy of the court. Zanzie and Lynch gave the court a talk, which was taken for just what it was worth. They said they regarded the affair as a joke and it was the evident desire of the prisoners to have the court look at the matter in the same light. Mrs. Norman had nothing to say. Pifer was not present to give his views. He had expressed his sentiments in the state warrants he had sworn out and on which all of the parties had been held for the consideration of grand jury.

Judge Hammer admonished the defendants as to the punishment and then sentenced Zanzie to four months in the county jail and pay a fine of \$850; Mrs. Norman three months in the county jail and pay a fine of \$250; J. C. Lynch one month in the county jail and pay a fine of \$25. Zanzie and Mrs. Norman may yet be indicted for conspiracy. Lynch will be discharged when he complies with the sentence imposed by Judge Hammer.

QUICK WORK.

Maj. Connolly Succeeded in Having Two Pensions Promptly Allowed.

A little over two weeks ago Congressman Connolly was solicited to urge the department to take up and allow the pensions of Major George R. Steele and that of the widow of Alonzo Williams of Hoody. These claims had been hanging for a long time notwithstanding they were both clear and well merited. Mr. Connolly went at it with characteristic energy and good judgment and a week ago the Williams pension was allowed and yesterday Major Connolly telegraphed that the pension to Major Steele had been allowed. His constituents will appreciate Major Connolly's promptness and influence in this matter.

FROM PLEASANT PEOPLE.

Come Kind Words That Smooth the Pathway.

In a letter from Mrs. Chas. Knickerbocker of Jackson, Mich., whose connection with the celebrated cook book entitled "Gleanings from Home and Field" is well known, she was kind enough to say by letter to the Postum Cereal Co., Ltd., of Battle Creek, Mich.: "I have finally found something to take the place of coffee in my 'Postum Cereal.' You have a good thing that thousands of people have been needing and wishing for, a drink to take the place of coffee, which to them is poison, though so delicious and so hard to give up. I speak from experience."

Mrs. Glass, of Spencer, Iowa, writes: "Our grocer has ordered the Postum Cereal from Des Moines and we like it well, and many are trying it. It is meat and drink to our bodies and satisfaction to our souls and conscience, because we realize it is not only harmless but is nourishing."

Wily grocers sometimes work in cheap imitations of Postum Cereal coffee if the customer will stand it.

Remember the Lecture. "General Gordon's great lecture ought to be heard by every young American. It is a masterpiece. Not only as a gem of oratory, but as a superb outburst of patriotism, it will live long after we have passed away. The vast audience that heard him last night will, we are sure, voice this expression."

This is what the Louisville Courier-Journal said about General Gordon and his lecture editorially. You can't afford to miss it. Tickets and reserved seats on sale at the opera house drug store. Seats are being rapidly taken. Maros writes that from ten to twenty people will come down from there. Reserved seats 75 cents. General admission 50 and 25 cents.

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REPUBLICAN TICKET.

Decatur Township—Election April 6.

Supervisor—HENRY F. MAY.
 Assistant Supervisors—JOHN ALLEN,
 —W. H. SPENCE,
 —F. W. KIPP,
 —GEORGE W. STONY,
 —J. H. RECORD.
 Town Clerk—A. H. COPE.
 Assessor—W. W. FOSTER.
 Collector—LANDY H. MARTIN.
 Justices of the Peace—GEORGE F. HARDY,
 —O. W. SMITH,
 —O. W. PROVOST,
 —W. H. SHORR,
 —JAMES O'MARA.
 Constables—HARRY K. MIDKIFF,
 —W. W. CONARD,
 —T. L. ANTRIM,
 —JOHN LLOYD,
 —BURN POST.
 Commissioner—WILLIAM BUNDY.
 Poundmaster—GREENBERRY MARTIN.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

Chicago, March 26.—Fair tonight, and
 warmer center and north; Saturday in-
 creasing cloudiness; warmer winds, shift-
 ing to southerly.

A Blow at a Pool.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat: The deci-
 sion of the supreme court in the case of
 the United States against the Transmis-
 sion Freight association is of great im-
 portance in its bearing upon the principle
 involved in restraints of trade or trans-
 portation. The Sherman and trust law
 of 1890 was invoked against pooling, and
 the court below decided that that act did
 not apply to railroads, and, therefore, for
 the time, the government lost its case.
 On appeal, however, to the supreme court,
 the government has had better fortune.
 That tribunal has reversed the decision of
 the lower court and has ruled that the
 trust law covers the question of transpor-
 tation, and that the pooling agreements of
 the roads involved are prohibited by that
 act.

This decision will probably have a
 broader application than has been given
 to it by the court in this case.

In showing that the anti-trust law is
 effective against railroad pools it affords a
 presumption that the act may be able to
 hit some of the other deals which it was
 directed against. If it strikes down the
 barriers erected against competition in
 transportation why can not it be made to
 protect competition in general trade also?
 In the eye of the law the Transmis-
 sion Freight association and all other railroad
 pools of the same character are virtually
 trusts. The trusts in production and
 commerce ought, it would seem, to be
 equally open to assault.

It has been freely assumed that the
 anti-trust law of 1890 was a failure. In
 nearly all the suits brought under it hith-
 erto it proved ineffective, but the present
 triumph for that act may simply mean
 that the former reverses were due to lack
 of earnestness or skill on the part of those
 who attempted to enforce it. At all
 events the present decision will give hope
 to the government's law officers. After
 the full text of the opinion, which has not
 yet been published, is studied the lawyers
 may be able to see a way to render the act
 effective as against trusts and "com-
 bines" of all sorts. The enemies of the
 trusts will certainly gain a good deal of
 encouragement out of the decision. They
 will see to it that suits are brought
 against other harmful combinations, and
 if the act proves inadequate its weak-
 point can be strengthened by new legisla-
 tion. This is a favorable period to
 make an assault in the courts on the
 trusts along the whole line.

A Tariff Lesson.

When the McKinley bill put a duty on
 cotton ties the free traders complained be-
 cause they said it was a tax on the cotton
 planter. The result was that we
 ceased buying cotton ties from abroad as
 the manufacturer of cotton ties under
 protection sprang up in this country,
 giving employment to 10,000 men and re-
 ducing the price of the ties to the planter
 nearly 50 per cent. The Wilson bill made
 cotton ties free on the assumption that
 the tariff is a tax, and the 10,000 men en-
 gaged in making ties lost their jobs.
 England recovered the market and the
 price of cotton ties was advanced more
 than 50 per cent. Here is a lesson in pro-
 tection that ought to satisfy any man
 who wishes to do the best thing for his
 own country. The Dingley tariff pro-
 poses to restore the duty on cotton ties
 but the same old mistake is repeating
 the duty on the same old exploded theory
 that a tariff on cotton ties is a tax on the
 cotton planter.

The time has come in the history of na-
 tions when the people's voice is potent
 even in the kingdoms of the world. The
 blockade of Cuba by the powers has devel-
 oped the fact that public sentiment in
 France and England that neither nation
 dare take active part in the blockade.

South Carolina voting for protection is a
 consummation that was not expected but
 it has become a fact nevertheless. The
 people of that state are opposed to foreign-
 ers peddling foreign cotton in this market
 without being taxed for the privilege and
 that is all there is of the protective tariff
 question.

The extension of the civil service to the
 limits which Cleveland has put it has made
 the principle ridiculous. The people of this
 country do not want an office holding
 aristocracy in this country to be followed
 by a civil pension list. It is not democ-
 ratic; it is not logical; it is not fair.

There seems to be some doubt as to the
 outcome of the mayoralty election in Chi-
 cago and Dr. Jamieson has gone to Wash-
 ington to raise a howl and arrange to
 throw the blame on McKinley in case the
 machine is defeated.

Fitzsimmons says he quit Sunday
 school when a boy because the superin-
 tendent pulled his ears. If Corbett could
 pull his ears he might quit fighting, but
 Corbett don't seem equal to the task.

The new tariff bill when it becomes a
 law will stop the importation of foreign
 shoddy and shoddy goods which have be-
 come so common in the last three years.

It is unfortunate that the Republicans
 when they captured Kentucky had a nar-
 row gauge men up for governor.

Let every Republican attend the city
 primaries and when the ticket is nomi-
 nated support it.

POWERS' SALE

of Black and Tan Oxfords and Slip-
 pers will continue at 50c, 75c and
 90c until every pair is sold. Ladies'
 Overgaiters 10c a pair. 24-26

Hada Bad Fall.

Mrs. Phillip Kemper met with a pain-
 ful accident this afternoon. She was
 walking on North Water street when she
 tripped on a mat in front of Johnson's
 store and fell to the sidewalk. Her spec-
 tacles were broken by the fall and the
 glass cut a deep gash on the forehead just
 over the eye. Dr. I. N. Barnes took sev-
 eral stitches in the wound.

Is Recovering.

Jessie Cowden, the girl who attempted
 to commit suicide by shooting herself
 about two weeks ago, is recovering. She
 was seriously injured but the attending
 physician says that if no complications
 set in she will recover.

Tonight the colored ladies' society mis-
 trel show will be given at the Grand. It
 will be unique and highly entertaining.
 The cake walk, Barrack man and Jones
 says, is alone worth the price of admission.
 Go early and stay it out.

Died.

William Arthur, son of Mr. and Mrs.
 Ed Dowling, died at 10:15 p. m. March 24
 at the home of his parents, 1506 East El-
 dorado street. He was 6 months old and
 had been sick three weeks. The funeral
 will be held Friday.

Born.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Edward Fitz-
 gerald of 298 West Main street on March
 26, a son.

Born—To Dr. and Mrs. O. T. Eddy,
 March 26, a son, 15 pounds.

Vote Themselves Pay.

Berlin, March 26.—The relictage by a
 vote of 179 to 40 adopted the radical peo-
 ple's party proposal for the payment of
 members of the relictage.

It is seldom you can find three
 pairs of shoes for the price of one,
 but such is the offer at Powers'.
 Sample sale now going on. 50c, 75c,
 90c, buys a \$2.00 to \$3.50 Oxford;
 sizes 1 to 4 1/2. 25-26

A torpid liver means a bad complexion,
 bad breath, indigestion and fre-
 quent headaches. To avoid such com-
 plaints take DeWitt's Little Early
 Riser, the famous little pills. A. J.
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 L. Krone.

Garden Seeds.

Just received a large stock of all kinds
 of D. M. Ferry & Co.'s fresh bulk garden
 seeds, at the Spencer & Lehnman Co.'s—
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Some extra fine music will be heard to-
 night at the Rebecca lodge entertainment
 at Odd Fellows hall on North Main street.

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 The Best Salve in the world for Cuts,
 Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum,
 Fever Bore, Tetter, Chapped Hands,
 Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions,
 and positively cures Piles, or no pay re-
 quired. It is guaranteed to give perfect
 satisfaction, or money refunded. Price
 25 cents per box. For sale by E. A.
 West, the druggist.

Only Two Hours and Fifty Minutes
 to Peoria. Take the Vandalia Line.
 Train leaves at 11:42 a. m.

Gentlemen, why wear shabby over-
 coats, pants, coat or vest when you
 can get your clothing re-dyed,
 cleaned and pressed and repaired to
 look equal to new by taking them to
 Miller's Dye House. Work warranted
 first-class. 145 North Main street.

PARKE & SON
SEWER PIPE
TILE
DECATUR ILL.
CEMENT, LIME, COAL.

TARIFF MOST IMPORTANT.

So Speaker Reed Informed the Committee
 on Monetary Legislation from
 Indianapolis.

Washington, March 25.—The committee
 on legislation appointed at the Indianap-
 olis monetary convention last summer
 had an informal conference with Speaker
 Reed today concerning the banking re-
 form. They spoke of the desirability of
 an act authorizing the president to ap-
 point a monetary commission. Legisla-
 tion is needed to give more plentiful and
 an elastic supply of currency for the farm-
 ing districts. Reed told them the princi-
 pal business, and most important, before
 this congress is tariff legislation and that
 whenever public opinion became crystal-
 lized in favor of any particular form of
 financial legislation congress would be
 apt to respond without delay.

Married.

At his office by Judge Shorb March 26,
 William Sheridan and Mrs. Lulu Taylor,
 both of Decatur.

The groom is the man who was stabbed
 by Roy Bousman in a recent scrimmage
 at the Annie Brady place. Sheridan has
 recovered and Bousman is in jail waiting
 the action of the June grand jury.

Funeral To-Day.

The funeral of William Arthur, the lit-
 tle son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Dowling,
 occurred at 2 o'clock this afternoon from
 the residence on East Eldorado street.
 The services were conducted by Rev. D.
 P. Howe and burial was at Greenwood
 cemetery.

Waylaid and Murdered.

Mayesville, March 26.—Near Mt. Gilead
 this morning Amos Riggs waylaid and
 shot and killed young Boyd and his
 father, W. R. Boyd. There has been a
 feud between the families and a few days
 ago young Boyd ran away and married
 one of Riggs' daughters.

At the confirmation services at All An-
 gels' church on Sunday evening next Mr.
 Chilson will sing Thomas Attwood's
 beautiful anthem, "Turn Thy Face From
 My Sin" during the offertory.

Tonight at the service in All Angels
 the rector will preach on the theme of the
 Seven Deadly Sins. On Sunday morning
 he will deliver his address to the confir-
 mation class.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Mary Mal-
 low will take place from St. Patrick's
 Catholic church at 11 a. m. Saturday,
 March 27.

—Earle Colladay and Robert Maffit
 will go to Calamus lake tomorrow to
 shoot ducks.

—Wilber Starling went to Pana this
 afternoon to visit friends for a few days.

Pekin Post: Frank Adams and part-
 ner who are fishing at which is known as
 Lick Creek Island, came down to Pekin
 with 1500 pounds of carp and Buffalo.

Peter E. Spurch, an old business man
 of Peoria, died on Tuesday aged 66. He
 was a native of Zanesville, Ohio, and had
 lived in Peoria fifty-one years.

The membership of the League of Amer-
 ican Wheelmen Feb. 1, 1896, was 39,
 323. Feb. 1, 1897, it was 73,743 a gain of
 87 per cent.

Lombard University at Galesburg is to
 have a new \$3000 gymnasium. The senior
 class of the university will raise \$500 of
 the amount.

Free Pills.

Send your address to H. E. Bucklen
 Co., Chicago, and get a free sample
 box of Dr. King's New Life Pills. A trial
 will convince you of their merits. These
 pills are easy in action and are particu-
 larly effective in the cure of Constipation
 and Liver troubles. For Malaria
 and Liver troubles they have been
 proved invaluable. They are guaran-
 teed to be perfectly free from every de-
 teriorating substance and to be purely
 vegetable. They do not weaken by
 their action, but by giving tone to stom-
 ach and bowels greatly invigorate the
 system. Regular size 25c per box. Sold
 by West, Druggist.

Sadornes has two village clerks and each
 has issued a call for the village election.
 There will be two election boards at-
 tempting to hold an election in the same
 place at the same time.

GREAT CLOSING OUT SALE

—AT—

Leonard's Departm't Store

Am going out of business and must
 close out my stock immediately. We
 are offering the greatest bargains ever
 offered in Decatur. Seeing is believing;
 come and see and be convinced.

We have big bargains to offer you in our
DRY GOODS DEPARTMENT.

Children's Hosiery reduced from 10c to 5c pair.
 Fine Large Red Spread at \$1.50.
 Ladies' Fine Wrappers at 75c and up.
 Best Table Oil Cloth at 12 1/2c yard.
 Gent's Heavy Cotton Socks reduced from 10c to
 5c per pair.

We have some special bargains to offer in La-
 dies' Dress Skirts; Black, Novelty and Shepard
 Plaid, worth \$2.50, must sell at \$1.50.
 Skirts in Black Brocade Brillantines, worth
 \$3.00, for \$1.95.
 Dresses of all kinds made to order at very low
 prices.

We have a large stock of Remnants to be closed
 out at a bargain.

We are offering the greatest bargains in
GROCERIES.

Corn, Peaches, Peas, Blackberries, Squash,
 Pumpkin, 5c per can
 10 lb. sack Flour 50c per bu.
 Fine Northern Potatoes 30c per bu.
 Fine Syrup reduced from 40c to 15c gal.
 2 lb. Granulated Sugar for \$1.00
 Bulk Coffee 5c to 25c per lb.
 Gunpowder Tea reduced from 40c to 15c per lb.
 Fat Soap (formerly 10c, now 5c per bar
 Canned Soap 10c per bar
 25 lbs. Prunes for \$1.00
 Extra Large Herring 1c each
 Great Bargains in our **SHOE DEPT.**

Leonard's Department Store,
 325 N. Water St.—New Phone 245.

SATURDAY....

Will be **CHILDREN'S DAY** at The Big Store.

Decatur's whole family of mothers should be here to take advantage of the
 money saving advantages which are offered. Prices good for Saturday Only.

Children's Day in the Cloak Department—Second Floor.

—An Intensely Interesting Incident...

175 Children's Reefer Jackets, colors navy, brown, tan and red, plain
 and braid trimmed Sailor collar, well made and extraordinary
 good value, in three great lots.
 Your choice..... 50, 75 and 98 cents each

A large and complete assortment in all the new colorings and de-
 signs. Prices ranging from..... \$1.50 up to \$4.98 each

50 Two Piece Suits for Girls in all the popular solid colors and mix-
 tures, for Saturday..... \$2.98



Children's Hosiery and Underwear—Very Special.

1 Case Children's Fast Black Seamless Hose, fine gauge, sizes 5 to 9,
 10c pair

1 Case Children's Swiss Ribbed Vests, tape arm and neck..... 5c each

BOYS' CLOTHING—Saturday Specials.

Boys' Two Piece Suit (4 to 14 years) in neat mixtures of staple colors. Good,
 serviceable suit like you pay \$1.50 for. For Saturday..... 98c

Boys' Grey Cheviot Pants (5 to 14 years), the 25c kind. Saturday.... 15c pair

Boys' Blue Overalls (4 to 14 years), Saturday..... 23c pair

Boys' 15c Golf Caps, Saturday..... 9 cents

Boys' 50c Golf Caps, Saturday..... 25 cents



BOYS' FURNISHINGS—Exceptional Values.

25 doz Silk Windsor Ties, extra long length, in both light and dark plaids, worth 25c at 15c.

35 doz. Shirt Waists for Boys, in light and dark styles, "Mother's Friend" in percale, worth
 50c, at..... 35c

50 doz. Boys' Negligee Shirts, in both attached and detached collars and cuffs, in Percales and Madras. We will offer
 these goods at 50 and 75 cents for attached collars and cuffs, and 75c, 85c and \$1.00 for detached collars and cuffs, in
 both soft and shirt front.

Lots of Bargains for the older folks, but Bargains for the Boys and Girls will be found in every nook and corner.

LENN AND SCRUGGS

DRY GOODS & CARPET CO.

THE BIG STORE WATER, MAIN &
 STATE STREETS.

...GREAT...

COW SALE!

The undersigned will offer at public sale at
 their dairy farm, three miles northwest of De-
 catour, on the gravel road,

35 THIRTY-FIVE 35
 head of Cows and Heifers, also Three Fine
 Young Jersey Bulls, on

THURSDAY, APRIL 1, 1897.

This is a lot of superior milk cows from which
 anyone can select a reliable cow for family or
 dairy use. Some are fresh and others are due by
 date of sale. The herd consists of Holsteins,
 Short Horns and Jerseys. The bulls and some
 of the heifers are from Ralph Ogden No. 27,334.
 Every cow to be offered will pay for herself be-
 fore note becomes due.

TERMS OF SALE.

10 months credit will be given on all sums over
 \$10, with 7 per cent. interest from date if not
 paid promptly when due. Notes with approved
 security to be given. 7 per cent. discount for
 cash. Property not to be removed before terms
 are complied with.

In case of rain sale will be under cover.

Sale to commence at 11 o'clock.

Free lunch at noon. Come early.

P. A. LUTZ,
 S. M. LUTZ.

J. T. WARD, Auctioneer.
 March 24-24-25



11.00

WHEN YOU TALK

About **BABy CARRIAGES**

How's This One? Same as cut.

A \$16.00 Buggy for \$11.00

RUBBER TIRES.

These Carriages are the Famous

"WAKEFIELD" make, absolutely the

BEST. Plenty of imitations, but None

So Good. Every buggy New PATTER-

Will be glad to show you our line
 whether you want to buy or not.
 * GEO. W. MEYER, *
 Lowest Price FURNITURE HOUSE in Decatur



HATS

of all kinds, colors, shapes,
 and prices. NEW SPRING
 HATS that will fit both
 your head and purse.

The "Cuban" and "Geisha"

—two of the latest. Let us
 show them to you.

A new, complete and excep-
 tionally well assorted line of attire for little
 fellows from 3 to 8, made up in Juniors,
 Vestee, Sailor and Reefer style, of all the
 new fabrics, running in price

...FROM \$2.25 TO \$5.00...

This department of ours appeals particu-
 larly to mothers, and is entitled to their
 earnest consideration.

**OUR NEW SPRING
 STOCK IS NOW IN.**



**New Novelties in
 MEN'S SUITS.**

The RIGHT kind. Right in fit, in material,
 in style, in general make-up, but particu-
 larly right in PRICE. We are showing an
 exceedingly swell line of Spring Shirts and
 Neckwear. We will appreciate a call.

**B. STINE CLOTHING
 COMPANY.**

245-249 NORTH WATER STREET.
 NEXT TO BRADLEY BROS.....

THE NEW
THE STEWART
DRY GO
FOR SATURD

SOME VERY SPECIAL

\$1.00 Kid Gloves for 59c. 75c

To introduce our Glove Department Sat-
 urday we offer Kid Gloves in all sizes
 and all colors, worth \$1.00..... 59c

125 Kid Gloves, every pair warranted,
 in all colors, in all shades..... 98c

40 Cent Corset for 21c. 10c

100 Dozen of Ladies' Summer Corsets,
 all sizes, instead of 40c, go for 21c
 each..... 49c

75c Corsets, warranted to give
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...HOSIERY...
 Ladies' fast black Hose..... 3c
 Ladies' fast black "Topsy" Hose, best
 on earth, double heels and toes, fine
 gauge, instead of 15c, Saturday
 10c
 Ladies' celebrated Topsy Hose
 Saturday 3 pairs for..... 50c
 Children's Heavy Ribbed Topsy fast
 black Hose, worth 12 1/2c, Satur-
 day's Special Price, a pair..... 8c
 Boys' heavy Bicycle Hose, made of
 double yard, genuine Topsy fast
 black, instead of 30c a pair, Sat-
 urday our price, 2 pairs for..... 25c
 Men's 7 1/2c Mixed Sox, a pair..... 5c
 Men's 15c Fast Black Sox..... 10c
 Men's 10c Heavy Mixed Sox..... 8 1/2c
1c Each.
 1000 Children's Handkerchiefs..... 1c

EVERYTHING NEW AND FRESH...
THE STEWART DRY GOODS CO.,
 211 North Water Street.

159 EAST MAIN ST.
GEO. W. JONES CLOTHING
HOUSE
for Spring Overcoats.

We have a few Spring Overcoats to close out. If you are in need of a coat
 we can do you good.
 \$6.50 Spring Overcoat, \$4.00. | \$10.00 Spring Overcoat, \$6.50
 \$12.00 Spring Overcoat, \$7.50. | \$15.00 Spring Overcoat, \$8.50

—SIZES 33 TO 44.—
New Spring Suits
 Have arrived—the most Fancy and Durable Clothing in the city at prices
 to suit all. Call and see this line.
George W. Jones Clothing House,
159 EAST MAIN ST.

EHRMAN'S

Ehrman's
Laundry
Guarantees
Perfect
Satisfaction
In
Every
Detail.

LAUNDRY.

We Believe
That we
Have One
Of the
Finest
Laundries
In Illinois,
And are
In position
To Guarantee
As Fine
Work as
Can be
Done
Anywhere.
We
Desire to
Call your
Special
Attention
To the

Following
Points:
We do Either
Domestic
Or Gloss
Work.
We have all
Modern
Machinery
And
Skilled
Hands.
We replace
All
Worn Neck
Free on
Worn Shirts.
We
Deliver
Goods
Promptly.

Two Telephones.

MRS. JOHN SHERMAN.
 Everybody in Washington Likes the
 Ohio Statesman's Wife.
 As the wife of the secretary of state in
 the McKinley administration, Mrs. John
 Sherman is not new to official life in
 the capital. Indeed, that good lady
 has spent most of her days under the
 shadow of the big dome. Mrs. Sherman
 is the only daughter of the late Judge
 James Stewart, of Ohio, who was one
 of the ablest jurists of the state in the
 early part of this century. The family
 lived at Mansfield, and young John
 Sherman no sooner saw his way clear in
 life than he attached himself to the in-
 teresting daughter of the judge. The
 marriage was a pure love match. Law-
 yer Sherman was in no way financially



MRS. JOHN SHERMAN.
 advantaged by it, for on Judge Stew-
 art's death it was found that he had left
 his property very much embarrassed
 This embarrassment was cleared by
 Mr. Sherman and the old judge's prop-
 erty still remains in the family. It is
 said that, being the daughter and the
 wife of a lawyer, Mrs. Sherman could
 not avoid absorbing something of the
 law. And she did. The story goes that
 she can draw up almost any kind of a
 legal document with all the necessary
 and confusing technique quite as ably
 as her distinguished spouse. The sen-
 ator's wife has been less written about,
 perhaps, than the wife of any other pub-
 lic man in the country. That is because
 of her naturally retiring and modest
 disposition and her positive aversion to
 publicity. For the same reason she has
 never desired social display. Her life
 with the senator has been as unostenta-
 tious as it has been happy. The Sher-
 mans have had no children, but Mrs.
 Sherman has been a more than good
 mother to two or three adopted chil-
 dren. In one more year she will have
 been the wife of John Sherman for half
 a century.

ALWAYS WORKED HARD.
**Henry Heitfeld, the New Farmer Sen-
 ator from Idaho.**
 Henry Heitfeld, the new senator from
 Idaho, who replaces Senator Dubois, will
 be one of the most interesting figures
 in the upper house. He is a plain, blunt
 man, farm bred, with a rough and ready
 experience in life and a snug little for-
 tune of \$35,000 or \$40,000 wrung by hard
 work with his hands from an unwilling
 soil. He is full six feet high, and, while
 no orator, his words, spoken in mea-
 sured and emphatic tones, never fail to
 impress his hearers. The senator is a
 native of St. Louis and is only 38 years
 old. His parents were poor, and young
 Heitfeld, after brief studies in the gram-
 mar schools of St. Louis, started out
 west. He went to Kansas and to Wash-
 ington, and finally to Idaho. He
 tramped through the new country look-
 ing for work and finding it as farm boy,
 laborer, stonemason and other occupa-
 tions, until he at last settled down as
 an agriculturist. Then by incessant la-
 bor he built up his little fortune. He
 used to be a democrat, but he declares
 that it was Grover Cleveland who drove



SENATOR HENRY HEITFELD, IDAHO
 him from the old party. Looking for a
 political goddess to worship, his eyes
 fell on the newly-carved populism, and
 he enlisted himself at once among her
 devotees. Senator Heitfeld will rep-
 resent the new Americanism that is grow-
 ing in power of late. It is a sort of at-
 tainable return to the simplicity of the an-
 cient times when Jefferson wore long
 trousers and scorned the aristocrats of
 the young republic. He is not polished
 and never possessed a swallow-tail coat
 until he was elected, and then only be-
 cause he did not wish to be conspicuous
 by a garb that would be condemned as
 pure affectation.
Why Doctors Should Shave.
 It is claimed that while a physician
 may easily divest himself of overcoat
 and hat before entering a sick room,
 the beard with the dampness or dis-
 agreeable effects of the outside atmo-
 sphere, or even the odor of the cigar
 he has been enjoying, but which may be
 very annoying to his patient, cannot be
 easily laid aside. When the physician
 listens to the action of the heart, and
 sometimes in making other examina-
 tions, his face must necessarily come
 into direct contact with the person or
 clothing of the person examined. A
 bearded face would be much more likely
 to be affected by contagion than clean-
 shaven skin. It is advised that mem-
 bers of the medical profession dispense
 with the wearing of a beard.



TO THE SOUTH.

BOLEN & LANNING, Real Estate Dealers,
 have another of their popular EXCURSIONS
 TO TEXAS ON TUESDAY, APRIL 6TH,
 when they are selling so much of
 their choice cheap lands near Houston
 and Galveston. These lands are smooth, level
 prairie, most of them new and rich, have never
 had a row in them. We can sell you cleaner
 and better lands, better terms than any one
 can take exchange in on some of them. Write
 us for circulars. We also do a general exchange
 business; have land to exchange for stocks of
 goods to exchange for lands. In fact can
 fit you with almost any kind of a trade. Espe-
 cially notice their circulars on the country across
 the bayou from Galveston. Write us or call and
 see us in Mullikin bank building, Decatur, Ills.
BOLEN & LANNING.

SHORT-SIGHTED SCIENCE.
A Spirit That Has Used Contempt for
the Past.

Science has bred in us a spirit of ex-
 periment and a contempt for the past.
 It has made us credulous of quick im-
 provement, hopeful of discovering
 panaceas, confident of success in every
 new thing. I wish to be as explicit as
 carefully chosen words will enable me
 to be upon a matter so critical, so radi-
 cal as this. I have no indictment
 against what science has done; I have
 only a warning to utter against the
 atmosphere which has stolen from labo-
 ratories into lecture rooms and into
 the general air of the world at large.
 Science—our science—is new. It is a
 child of the nineteenth century. It has
 transformed the world and owes
 little debt of obligation to any past
 age. It has driven mystery out of the
 universe; it has made malleable stuff
 of the hard world and laid it out in its
 elements upon the table of every class
 room. Its own masters have known
 its limitations; they have stopped
 short at the confines of the physical
 universe; they have declined to reckon
 with spirit or with the stuffs of the
 mind, have eschewed sense and con-
 fined themselves to sensation. But
 their work has been so stupendous that
 all other men of all other studies have
 been set staring at their methods, imi-
 tating their ways of thought, ogling
 their results. We look in our study of
 the classics nowadays more at the phe-
 nomena of language than at the move-
 ment of spirit; we suppose the world
 which is invisible to be unreal; we
 doubt the efficacy of feeling and exagger-
 ate the efficacy of knowledge; we
 speak of society as an asylum and be-
 lieve that we can contrive for it a new
 environment which will change the
 very nature of its constituent parts;
 worst of all, we believe in the present
 and in the future more than in the past,
 and deem the newest theory of society
 the likeliest. This is the disservice
 scientific study has done for us; it has
 given us agnosticism in the realm of
 philosophy, scientific anarchism in
 the field of politics. It has made
 the legislator confident that he can
 create, and the philosopher sure
 that God cannot. Past experi-
 ence is discredited and the laws
 of matter are supposed to apply to
 spirit and the makeup of society.—Chi-
 cago News.

In view of the fact that many foreign
 racing men are coming to this country
 this year, the League of American Wheel-
 men racing board may change its record
 rules.
 Tom Burke, the American champion
 quarter-mile runner, means to retire at
 the end of the coming season. He wants
 to meet Wolers before retiring.

Dont Miss...

The
Great
Bargains
—IN—
DRESS GOODS,
Prints, Gingham,
Jaconets, Lawns,
DIMITIES, Etc.
THURSDAY, FRIDAY
and SATURDAY.
—*—**
Special Prices.
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S. G. HATCH
& BRO.
151 EAST MAIN ST.

RUG SALE!
 We are selling Chenille Rugs 30x60
 inches with good heavy fringe for
 \$1.15.
 Also have Ingrain and Brussels Rugs
 for sale, all our own make. Do not
 throw your old Ingrain or Brussels car-
 pet away but bring them to me and have
 nice rugs woven from it.
 We weave and sell Carpets cheaper
 than ever.
CHAS. PFISTER,
 South Side Lincoln Square, 2d Floor.

SPECIAL SALE
Dress Goods and Capes.
 This Week at **JOHNSTON'S**, 151 N. Water St.
NOVELTY SUITINGS—Late Check Effects at 19c, 29c, 35c,
 48c and 58c yd.
NEW WASH DRESS GOODS—Lappet Mulls, Grenadine
 Stripes and Organdies, at 10c, 12 1/2c, 15c, 20c and 25c yd.
DRESS MAKING—We make up to order at short notice
 Dresses, Skirts and Waists of all kinds.
CAPE—New Capes just received at \$2.75, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$5.00,
 \$6.50, \$7.50 and \$10.00 each.
DRESS SKIRTS—All made in our own factory, at \$1.98,
 \$2.50, \$3.50 and \$5.00 each. All extra well made, vel-
 veteen bound.
OUR LADIES' SHOES, (New Style Toes), at \$1.50, \$2.00 and
 \$2.50 are leaders. SEE THEM.
 We want your trade and will sell you Good Goods.

Chas. T. Johnston's
DRY GOODS STORE,
 151 North Water Street.

Race Clothing M'fg Co.,
 Spring is at hand, so is our Spring Stock of Clothing.

Nobby Spring
Overcoats.

Exclusive Patterns only shown
by us. Prices Very Low....

Sack Suits
in new effects, cut to fit

\$10.00 and \$12.00
buys a Beauty.

Clay Diagonals
In Sacks and Frocks,
Cheaper than you ever saw them.

\$7, \$8, \$10, \$15.

Young Men's
Suit

In the Latest Patterns,
Tailor Made...
\$5.00, \$7.00, \$10.00

Boys' Suits,
Long Pants,
\$3.50, \$4.00, \$5.00
*** * AND UP.**

CHILDREN'S SUITS,
Juniors, Vestees, Single and
Double Breasted styles....
Goods Worth the Money.

ONE LOT TWO STYLES
Boys' Cheviot Suits,
6 to 13 years, Single and
Double Breasted....
\$1.00 per Suit—Going Fast.

Boy's Knee Pants
25c.
Good ones for the money.
WE HAVE BETTER ONES.

Fancy Shirts,
OUR OWN MAKE,
35c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00.
Our Work Shirts are the best
sold. Larger and better made.

STETSON and
MILLER HATS.
—We are the Agents—
SPRING STYLES.

We show you the
..Best Hats..
In the Medium Grades you
ever saw for the money.
—50c AND UP—

Neckwear...
The Very Latest.
Just in
—COME AND SEE THEM—

Come and see Us. We can Save You Money.

RACE CLOTHING M'FG CO., 135 North
Water Street.

LOOK AT HIM

He assuredly has a
wheel in his head
when he says the
cost of a Bicycle is in
the name (plate), when IN TRUTH it is in
the Quality of Material and Workmanship.

REASON JUST A LITTLE.

How did the manufacturer get the reputation?
NOT by placing a poor wheel on the market
but by using the best material and the most
skilled labor attainable. To keep up this rep-
utation he must continue to use the Best.
WHY do some new riders who buy a cheap
wheel (no name plate wheel) first time buy
the best (with name plate) next time?
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THE CRETAN TROUBLE.

It is Similar in Many Respects to the Cuban Revolt.

There is a good deal in the Cretan crisis that is similar to the Cuban situation, with Turkey in the role of the Spanish oppressor and Greece playing the part many people have desired the United States to assume.

Crete is a mountainous island, not so large as Cuba, but much more troublesome. It has threatened the balance of power in Europe half a dozen times and is nearer mixing up the map of nations now than it ever was before.

The island has belonged to Turkey for several hundred years and has had quite as oppressive governments as Cuba. Its population is three-quarters Greek, either by blood or interest, and the



COL. VASSOS

island is only a short sail from the Hellenic kingdom, while Turkey is a long distance away.

A large majority of the inhabitants belong to the Greek church, and religious fanaticism has marked the conflicts between the native Christians and the Mahometan rulers with horrible atrocities.

The present trouble started in the revolution of 1830, but the granting of some reforms by the Turks put an end to open hostilities although guerrilla warfare was kept up in the mountains. Brisk fighting began again last summer.

In their numerous resolutions the Cretan Christians have appealed to Greece for aid. The first despatch from Greece was on February 5, when, upon receipt of news of a particularly appalling massacre of Christians in Crete, two war ships were dispatched to the island. A few days later more ships were sent. Meanwhile England, France, Germany, Russia and Italy hurried their fleets to Crete.

The Greeks dodged the fleet and landed several regiments of troops under Col. Vassos. The Christians advanced and attacked Cania, but the war ships of the powers opened fire and held them off.

Col. Vassos, commander of the Cretan forces in the island of Crete, is one of the ablest soldiers in the Greek army and in the most hearty sympathy with the cause of Cretan liberty so warmly espoused by his long and gallant war. He is about 40 years old and wears a pointed beard with moustache of approved military fashion.

SENATOR AD INTERIM

Major Wood Appointed by the Governor of Kentucky.

Gov. Bradley, of Kentucky, has appointed Maj. Andrew T. Wood, of Mount Sterling, as senator to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the legislator, time to elect a successor to Senator Blackburn whose term expired March 4. Maj. Wood's commission provides that he shall serve as senator till the legislature next elect his successor. With the appointment was also given out the call for an extra session of the legislature, the election of a senator being among the objects named. Maj.



MAJ. ANDREW T. WOOD

Andrew T. Wood was born in Fleming county in 1834, and is a self-made man. He served during the entire war, holding the rank of major at the close. He studied law at Mount Sterling and was admitted to the bar in 1873. He entered politics at once, and in 1882 was defeated for congress on the republican ticket. He was the nominee of his party for attorney-general in 1887, when Bradley headed the ticket as the nominee for governor the first time. In 1891 he was the nominee for governor, but was defeated by ex-Gov. John Y. Brown.

Electric Photographic.

M. De Heen, a Belgian scientist, has succeeded in producing photographic impressions by simply allowing a current of air filled with floating lycopodium dust to impinge upon a sensitive plate in a dark room. His explanation is based upon the well-known fact that whenever air containing particles of watery vapor, or fine dust, is driven against a solid subject, it produces electrification, and he thinks that the electricity developed by the impact of the dust-charged air with the sensitive plates alone suffices to affect the latter without the intervention of light rays of any kind.

Your Boy Won't Live a Month.

So Mr. Gilman Brown, of 34 Mill St., South Gardner, Mass., was told by the doctor. His son had lung trouble, following typhoid malaria, and he spent three hundred and seventy-five dollars with doctors, who finally gave him up, saying "Your boy won't live a month." He tried Dr. King's New Discovery and a few bottles restored him to health and enabled him to go to work a perfectly well man. He says he owes his present good health to use of Dr. King's New Discovery, and knows it to be the best in the world for lung trouble. At West's drug store.

Peter E. Spruce, an old business man of Peoria, died on Tuesday aged 68. He was a native of Zanesville, Ohio, and had lived in Peoria fifty-one years.

Minutes seem like hours when a life is at stake. Croup gives no time to send for a doctor, delay may mean death. One Minute Cough Cure gives instant relief and insures recovery. The only harmless remedy that produces immediate results. A. J. Stoner & Son, Arm strong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Pekin Post. Frank Adams and partner who are fishing at which is known as Lick Creek Island, came down to Pekin with 1500 pounds of carp and Buffalo.

Constipation in its worst forms, dyspepsia, sick headache, biliousness and derangement of the liver are readily cured by DeWitt's Little Early Risers. These little pills never gripe. Small pill, safe pill, best pill. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

A. F. Myers, living four miles east of Hankakee sold 160 acres of unimproved land last week for \$70 an acre.

Lost—A dear little child who made home happy by its smiles. And to think, it might have been saved had the parents only kept in the house One Minute Cough Cure, the infallible remedy for croup. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

The membership of the League of American Wheelmen Feb. 1, 1896, was 39,323. Feb. 1, 1897, it was 73,742 a gain of 87 per cent.

"That Tired Feeling" overcomes us when inferior preparations are recommended by unscrupulous dealers are "just as good as Foley's Honey and Tar Cough Syrup," when we know the unequalled merits of this great medicine. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Tom Burke, the American champion quarter mile runner, means to retire at the end of the coming season. He wants to meet Wefers before retiring.

Have You Had the Grip?

If you have, you probably need a reliable medicine like Foley's Honey and Tar to heal your lungs and stop the racking cough incidental to this disease. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

In view of the fact that many foreign racing men are coming to this country this year, the League of American Wheelmen racing board may change its record rules.

Foley's Honey and Tar Cough Medicine is unquestionably the best remedy for the Throat and Lungs. Pleasant to take and is guaranteed. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Lombard University at Galesburg is to have a new \$8000 gymnasium. The senior class of the university will raise \$500 of the amount.

To Consumptives. As an honest remedy Foley's Honey and Tar does not hold out false hopes. It is advanced stages, but it truthfully claims to give comfort and relief in the very worst cases, and in the early stages to effect a cure. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

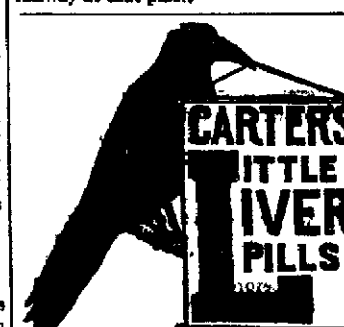
The school board at Monmouth has adopted strict rules against practical jokes bordering on hazing in the public schools of that city.

Chicora, Pa., "Herald." Richard Vinsel reports One Minute Cough Cure the greatest success of medical science. He told us that it cured his whole family of terrible coughs and colds, after all other so-called cures had failed entirely. Mr. Vinsel said it assisted his children through a very bad case of measles. One Minute Cough Cure makes expectation very easy and rapid. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

A \$100,000 capitol building was authorized by the legislature at Phoenix, Ariz., the cost to be met by floating 5 per cent bonds.

Peoria is to have an artificial ice plant with a capacity of sixty tons per day. Ice will be made from distilled water and sold in close competition with nature's production. The plant is to cost \$50,000 and will be in operation by mid-summer.

Elmer Simonson of Lincoln has been appointed superintendent of the electric railway at that place.



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ORGANDIE MUSLINS.

Large Patterns and Flowered Effects Predominate.

The organdie muslins that are now exhibited are wonderful productions both in fabric and design. Large patterns predominate, and flowered effects have run riot. Oak leaves of enormous size, exaggerated roses and blossoms of every description are thrown haphazard on the pale yellow, blue, pink and gray grounds, while the organdies themselves are if possible more sheer and transparent than ever.

These gowns are not going to be any different than usual, for none of the old quality and handsome designs can be bought for less than 65 cents a yard. They require a silk or satin foundation. They are not to mention a great deal of lace and many ribbons. While supposedly for colors, laundries they would not be possible, so elaborately are they made up and they must needs go to the cleaner whenever they require renovation.

The different colorings are exquisite and the linings are to be in marked contrast, affording no end of opportunity for the exercise of individual taste, which is not always to be desired. There are dark as well as light ones, but these have somewhat the look of dotted muslin, with little raised dots scattered all over them quite independent of the color of the material. Dark blue, very dark gray, and even black are to be had in exceedingly smart designs, not always flowered, but with the conventionalized patterns and many Persian effects.

These gowns are always deliciously cool and the organdie has sufficient body to prevent its being flimsy, particularly if worn over stiff silk. All the gowns will this year be made absolutely separate from the linings. One model which is bound to be popular has an almost circular skirt with countless gapes, and down each gore a band of ornate work insertion or lace.

Around the foot of the skirt there are three or four bias ruffles edged with lace or embroidery, one overlapping the other. The waist has small sleeves but a large fichu, which is made of five ruffles edged with lace so arranged as to stand well out over the shoulders and give the effect of the conventional caps or frills. This fichu is graduated at the waist into a mere point and is most becoming to the figure.—Y. Sur.

It is stated that 67 daily newspapers have been started and have died in New York city alone within the last 60 years, involving a loss of over \$25,000,000.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are authorized to announce E. M. YOUNG as a candidate for Alderman in the Second Ward, subject to the decision of the Republican ward primary.

We are authorized to announce WILLIAM DRYDEN as a candidate for Alderman in the Fifth Ward, subject to the decision of the Republican ward primary.

We are authorized to announce E. O. DAVIS as a candidate for Alderman in the Second Ward, subject to the decision of the Republican ward primary.

We are authorized to announce W. S. ANTHONY as a candidate for City Attorney, subject to the decision of the Republican city convention.

We are authorized to announce J. J. DRANKS as a candidate for Alderman in the Seventh Ward, subject to the action of the Republican ward primary.

We are authorized to announce T. M. HART as a candidate for City Attorney, subject to the action of the Republican city convention.

We are authorized to announce JAMES M. LEWIS as a candidate for City Attorney, subject to the action of the Republican city convention.

We are authorized to announce E. I. HAYS as a candidate for re-nomination for City Clerk, subject to the action of the Republican city convention.

We are authorized to announce B. Z. TAYLOR as a candidate for Mayor, subject to the decision of the Republican city convention.

We are authorized to announce C. S. HANNA as a candidate for City Clerk, subject to the decision of the Republican city convention.

We are authorized to announce W. W. PETERSON as an independent candidate for Justice of the Peace at the approaching town-ship election.

We are authorized to announce ALFRED AMMANN as a candidate for Alderman in the Fourth Ward, subject to the decision of the Republican ward primary.

We are authorized to announce FRANK SHUTTELMAN as a candidate for Alderman in the Fourth Ward at the approaching city election.

We are authorized to announce J. Q. A. OGDEN as a candidate for re-election to the office of Justice of the Peace, subject to the votes of the people.

VANDALIA LINE EXCURSIONS.

California via New Orleans. Pullman buffet sleeper every Tuesday and Saturday night from Chicago connecting with the Southern Pacific's Sunset Limited for Los Angeles and San Francisco. Pullman tourist sleeper every Wednesday through without change from Chicago to San Francisco.

On the first and third Tuesdays of each month settlers one way tickets to points south at very low rates.

Winter tourist tickets are now on sale to the principal winter resorts in the south and southwest.

Home-seekers' excursions to principal points in the west northwest south and southwest on the first and third Tuesday of every month, at one fare plus 25 cent round trip. Tickets valid for return every Tuesday and Friday within three weeks. Stop overs granted on going trip.

For rates, time of travel, etc. address J. C. Millsap, T. P. A., or W. L. Smith, Ticket Agent Union Depot, Decatur, Ill. Telephone 679.

WABASH EXCURSIONS.

The Wabash Railroad will sell excursion tickets at greatly reduced rates to the following meetings:

On Feb. 23, March 29, April 6th and 20th. May 4th and 18th. Settlers one way tickets to points south at very low rates.

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My loved Dining Room Service on the Wabash. Meals will now be served. A. L. Carter on all Chicago and St. Louis trips. The Wabash has a most excellent reputation for its food and service.

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Grand Army of the Republic, Buffalo, N. Y. August 21st to 31st.

Republic of Young People's Union, Chattanooga, Tenn. in June.

National Educational Association, Milwaukee, July 1st to 10th.

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SOCIETY MEETINGS.

I. O. O. F.—Regular meeting of Columbia R. D. Lodge No. 108, I. O. O. F., this (Friday) evening at 7:30 o'clock in their hall East Main street. All members are requested to be present. Visiting brothers and sisters invited. OLIVER VOTAW, N. G. E. A. BROWN, Sec.

E. S.—Regular meeting of Decatur Chapter No. 111, E. S., at Masonic Temple this (Friday) evening at 7:30 o'clock. Visiting members cordially invited. MRS. MARY E. FERGUSON, W. M. S. J. STEELE, Sec'y.

LOCAL NEWS.

Deanz, Tailor, 117 North Water St.

Use Irwin's Royal Dyspepsia cure for indigestion.

For loss of appetite take Irwin's Iron Tonic Bitters.

Try the lunch counter at the Farmers' Exchange. Open day and night.—23-46

Smoke the Little J., 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Kack.

Irwin's rheumatic cure gives the best satisfaction. Price 75 cents.

Smoke the famous Leda, a fine 10 cent, made by John Wolgast. Mob 35 ct.

Get your dinner at the Farmers' Exchange. Meals 20 cents.—23-46.

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc.

The best blood purifier is Ray's Sarsaparilla—at West's drug store. 50c.—23-46

Seed sweet potatoes, wholesale and retail, 233 North Main street. Durfee & O'Neil.

Smoke the Little J., a fine hand made, Sumatra wrapper—5 cent cigar.

Little Diana cigar; business men's ideal smoke; 5 for 10 cents; 100 for \$1.50. L. Chodas' News House.—14-46

The best spring tonic for that tired feeling is DeSoto's Calvary Nerve Tonic at West's drug store. 75c.—23-46.

Ask your druggist for the German Catarrh Cure. A positive cure for catarrh, asthma, cough, colds and headache. mar 16-46

Golden Rod Lotion for chapped hands gives satisfaction. For sale at Opera House Drug store.

J. M. Hughes & Co. at Durfee & Bros. old stand have a choice stock of fresh garden and flower seeds. Give them a call. feb 23-46

The members of the Republican township central committee and all of the candidates on the ticket will hold a meeting Saturday evening to prepare for election day, April 6.

The stock of goods at the Leonard department store in the Gallagher block has been sold to T. T. Springer, who has taken possession. Now Mr. Springer has three stores.

Yesterday J. W. Sanner and J. H. Sanner arrived home from Lexington and Danville, Ky. Mr. Sanner was in Kentucky to look after some horses. He did not make any purchases.

Buy your garden, flower and field seeds of Dan Culp, the old reliable seedman fresh stock and all varieties of garden seed in bulk. No. 233 North Main street. Durfee & Culp.—1-46

J. J. Swift, arrested for failing to pay a board bill at Springfield was arrested in Decatur yesterday by Office Dempsey. He was taken back by Deputy Sheriff Jennings of Springfield.

In Justice Hardy's court yesterday Charles King waived examination on the charge of having sold a mortgaged horse and buggy to Thomas Doak. Bail was fixed at \$250 and in default of surety King was returned to the county jail.

To get everything you desire for Sunday dinner call up Pearl Oyster & Fish Co., Telephone 344, who will have new spinach, asparagus, pea plants, new beets, fresh mushrooms, lettuce, onions, radishes, cranberries, cucumbers and strawberries. Order early and get the choicest.—25-46

The members of Decatur lodge No. 65, I. O. O. F. will hold a semi-public installation on the evening of April 7. The officers were elected a few days ago. The lodge has invited a number of their friends to witness the installation services. The occasion will be made a very notable one in the history of the lodge.

Rev. H. H. White, formerly of Chicago, will preach at the Antioch Baptist church at Spring avenue on Friday evening at 7:30, March 26. All friends are cordially invited to come out and hear him. Rev. White is an able speaker and a worthy minister of the gospel. Don't miss the opportunity.

The Tornado show at the Grand last night drew a fair sized audience. The scenic effects were new and somewhat startling, particularly the terrific storm scene and the one where an almost distracted husband finds his long lost wife apparently dead upon a dissecting table. She is restored to life and everything ends happily for everybody except the villain.

To Stop a Cold in 30 Minutes. Take Contra-Cold Tablets, guaranteed or money refunded by all druggists, 20c.

ENDEAVORERS MEET.

The Macon County Union Convention in This City To-Day.

THE ATTENDANCE IS LARGE

And Interesting Sessions Held—Officers

Elected and Reports Made—A-1

dress To-Night by Rev. F. G.

Smith, of Abingdon.

The annual convention of the Macon County Christian Endeavor Union is in session in this city today. The convention opened last night with a meeting at the First Presbyterian church. There were devotional exercises led by Rev. W. C. Miller, after which Rev. W. L. Davenport of Princeton, Ill., gave an address. His subject was "Sabbath Observance." In speaking on the subject among other things Mr. Davenport said:

"We need a Sabbath physically, socially and spiritually. All attempts to work men every day in the week have failed. I don't believe that the Sabbath was made for recreation, century runs, theatres or beer gardens, and I don't think that picnics on the grass are a good way to keep that day. There is an army of men who have to work on the Sabbath. A man should give up his job rather than insult his conscience and God by working on Sunday."

He also said that church people should boycott Sunday papers, milk wagons and barber shops.

After the address there was a social which was attended by about 200 members of the Endeavor societies.

This morning a sunrise prayer meeting was held at the Edward street Christian church. The services were quite well attended and were conducted by Rev. M. B. Spayd. The regular business session began at 10 o'clock at the First Presbyterian church. The report of the secretary showed that during the past year four new societies had been organized and one disbanded, making twenty-nine societies in the county divided in the different denominations as follows: Cumberland Presbyterian, 5; Christian, 5; Methodist, Presbyterian and Bethel churches, 8 each; Baptist, Congregational and U. R. 2 each. There are also four union societies. In the county there are 109 active and 230 associate members. Forty-three associate members have become active members and joined churches.

Mrs. H. M. Kreidler reported for the missionary work. She said that during the year missionary meetings had been held at Warrensburg, Macon, Harrisonburg, Mt. Zion, Orleans, Macon, Sharon church and in Decatur. All of the societies with the exception of one in the county have missionary committees and are doing good work. The societies have formed missionary libraries.

Samuel Schminck reported that the total income for the past year had been \$179.05 and the total expenses \$108.50, leaving a balance in the treasury of \$70.55.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President—Miss Carrie Knapp.

Vice President—Lloyd E. Newcomer of Macon.

Secretary—Samuel E. Schminck.

Treasurer—Mrs. J. W. Fritz.

Missionary Superintendent—Miss Ethel Dimock.

At the close of the business Rev. A. W. Hawkins made an address on the subject of "O. and O. Endeavorers." He said that the term went out and out Endeavorers. To be this kind of a worker it was necessary to have intellectual and spiritual training. The society should furnish the instruction and the members must apply it and in this way all could be good workers. He referred to the fact that there was a sham in the Endeavor society as well as other places and said it should be guarded against.

This afternoon the different branches of the work were taken up and discussed at conferences of the different committees which were led by the following persons:

Lookout Committee—A. M. Taylor.

Prayer Meeting—G. W. Battles.

Missionary—Miss Ethel Dimock.

Sunday School—R. C. Augustine.

Social—Lloyd Newcomer.

Good Literature—Miss Carrie Knapp.

This evening at 7:30 o'clock there will be a song service at the First Presbyterian church followed by devotional exercises led by Rev. J. Bernard. Rev. Frank G. Smith of Abingdon, Ill., will be present and give an address on "Interdenominational Fellowship." The convention will close with a benediction service led by D. D. Watson of Clinton.

Among the delegates who are present from out of town to attend the convention are the following:

Warrensburg—W. A. Marion, Charles Tash, Dakota Sharples, Mary M. Hall, Jennie Arnold, A. E. Arnold, Minnie Hiteble.

Mt. Zion—John T. Roberts, G. W. Sumner.

Macon—O. W. Cram, John Roberts.

Oak Grove—Mrs. Sparks, Mrs. Harding and Amy Vermilion.

Macon—Lloyd E. Newcomer.

Harrisonburg—L. T. Faulders.

Clinton.

Heard, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Sandorlin, died at 11 p. m. Thursday, March

25, at their residence in Riverside. The child was 2 years and 6 months old and its death was caused by lung trouble. The funeral will be held at 10 a. m. Saturday from the residence on Willard avenue. The interment will be at Greenwood.

PERSONAL MENTION.

—F. W. Caldwell is confined to his home by an attack of rheumatism.

—Alderman Breck Irwin is in Bloomington on a business visit.

—C. E. Dawson, who has been ill of typhoid fever, is somewhat improved.

—William Voorhies and wife are visiting A. S. Burr and family near Bement.

—E. D. Bartholomew is home from a business trip to Indianapolis.

—Homer Dawson, the son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Dawson, is ill at his parents' home on Prairie avenue.

—Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Miller have gone to Terre Haute to visit relatives.

—Bert Weaver, who is now located at Pana, is in the city to visit his parents.

—Judge Beath of Chicago has business in the circuit court.

—Miss Goldie Quirk will go to Sullivan tomorrow to visit friends.

—R. S. Bohon and Mrs. B. O. McReynolds have returned home from a visit to Kentucky.

—Clinton Public: Misses' Minnie and Arabella Warner are entertaining Miss Tris Howard of Decatur.

—Miss Gertrude Hira, who has been ill of typhoid fever at the home of her parents, No. 745 West Wood street, is better.

—Rev. D. F. Howe was in Lincoln last night and delivered an address before the members of the Woman's Foreign Missionary society of the Methodist church.

—Miss Gracie Hamsher returned last evening from a several week's visit with Mrs. George Butterworth, accompanied by Miss Eleanor Sloan, of Peoria, who will be her guest.

THE WABASH THE WINNER.

Mrs. Bauer Falls to Get a Verdict for Any Money in the Damage Case.

In the \$5000 damage case of Mrs. Alta Bauer, administratrix, against the Wabash railroad company, went to the jury last evening and at about 9 o'clock the jury had agreed upon a verdict, but it was sealed and was not read until it was presented to Judge Vail in open court this forenoon. The verdict was against the plaintiff, finding the Wabash company not guilty.

Charles F. Bauer, the husband of the plaintiff, was killed last June while on his way to Blue Mound in a wagon. He was caught on the crossing of the road below the St. Louis bridge and killed instantly. There was a sharp contention during the trial as to whether or not proper alarms were sounded. The jury evidently believed that the alarms were sounded, giving notice of the approach of the train. The locomotive was supplied with an automatic alarm bell. Witnesses testified that it was sounded continuously. The plaintiff's attorneys gave notice of an appeal.

The case of George S. Loyn & Sons vs the Lancashire insurance company is now receiving attention. Mills Bros. represent the plaintiffs and W. C. Johns and Judge Beach of Chicago the defendants.

The "Savings Bank" Stock.

The stock of dry goods sold yesterday by Lazarus Silverman to L. B. Claffin & Co. for \$7100 has been boxed up and will be shipped out of town. The boxes are marked "L. B. Claffin & Co., New York."

Mr. Silverman has not been seen since the sale was effected. An officer has a warrant for his arrest. He is charged with having obtained goods by false pretenses. It is alleged that A. F. Smith had a bill for \$300 for collection for an outside firm. Silverman at the time valued his stock at \$15000 and gave his indebtedness at \$2900. He gave Smith a statement to that effect. The sale of the stock at \$7100 was not considered in harmony with the previous showing, and Smith had a warrant issued. Silverman owed Claffin & Co. \$5100. The firm bought the goods, giving Silverman \$2900.

Firemen's Tournament Dates.

The executive board of the Illinois Firemen's association met yesterday at Monmouth and fixed the dates for the state tournament to be held at that town. The dates are July 27, 28 and 29. A careful revision of athletic rules was made, the result being more favorable to ordinary teams. A proposition to strike out the word "consecutive" in awarding perpetual championship trophies drew out an animated discussion, some maintaining that failure to win on the third year should not bar them from entering the list again and contesting without regard to succession. The proposal was lost by one vote. A bond for \$2000 or more from the citizens of Monmouth guaranteeing prize money for the next tournament was approved.

Will Go to Connecticut.

A letter was received here today from J. E. Saxton, who has been ill at Philadelphia. Mr. Saxton is much improved and has left for Connecticut where he will visit for a short time. He expects to be home in about a week.

Married.

At his office by Judge Hammer on March 25, Frank F. Perry of Warrensburg and Miss Minnie I. Stennett of Latham.

BURGLARS AT ZION.

Residents of the Town Out in Force to Catch Thieves.

DECATUR BLOOD-HOUND ON TRAIL.

Last News from the Course of the Dog Chase—Very Few Articles

Stolen—200 People

Out.

Mt. Zion is full of excitement today. Burglars broke into the general store of M. Fisk last night and now every citizen from the school boys to the oldest inhabitant is an amateur detective. The thieves did not secure much plunder. There is a safe in the store but it is not kept locked and no money is left in it. Only a small amount of cash in pennies and small change was all that there was for them and they took that for incidental expenses. Some articles of merchandise and private papers were thrown about in disorder but so far nothing of any special value has been missed. Money seemed to be what they were after.

The burglars evidently tried to force an entrance at the front door first, but failing in this they went to the rear of the building and broke into a shed room and then broke through an inside door.

Early in the morning a telegram was sent to Bandura for the bloodhound at Decatur and the boys arrived with the dog on the 8 o'clock train.

The store had been kept closed and no one allowed to enter till the dog came and he soon took up a trail and went east to the outskirts of the village and then took the Van railroad track for Hervey City.

Following close on the tail of the dog—oh, beg pardon—trail of the dog came the full force of 200 keen-scented local detectives who did able service in noting any mistakes, or talking up any scent the dog overlooked.

As the posse 'aded from the view of the aged and infirm who were left to protect the town, the dog was still ahead.

Later.

Hervey City ahead.

Dog still on trail.

Dog seems suspicious.

Detectives in sight.

Still Later.

Hervey City passed in safety.

Dog took P. D. & E. track towards Dalton City.

Dalton City unaware of danger.

Detectives evidently distressed.

Hervey City wants to know whose dog it was, and who stole him.

Saw man pass holding dog by stung.

Pursuit still under way.

City Election Primaries.

At the meeting of the members of the Republican city central committee, held on February 17, Alex. McIntosh, D. C. Shockley and William Dodson were appointed as a committee to look after the printing of the necessary tickets for the primary meetings to be held on the afternoon and evening of March 30. The committee will meet tonight at the office of Mr. McIntosh in the court house at which time it is desired that all candidates for city offices be present. All necessary arrangements will be completed this evening for the holding of the primaries.

Social To-Night.

Rescue lodge, I. O. O. F. will give a social tonight at the residence of Miss Clara Bedford, 133 East Eldorado street. A literary and musical program has been arranged for the evening's amusement after which refreshments will be served. Everybody is invited.

Has Recovered.

William Vowell, who was injured by falling from the roof of the Caldwell livery stable, has about recovered. Vowell had his skull fractured and it was not thought possible for him to get well, but he has now passed all danger and is able to be about his house.

POWERS' SALE

of Black and Tan Oxfords and Slipers will continue at 50c, 75c and 89c until every pair is sold. Ladies' Overgaiters 50c a pair. 24-46

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GETTING READY.

The House is Rapidly Approaching the Time to Vote on the New

Tariff Bill.

FREE TRADERS ATTACK THE BILL.

Consideration of the Bill Resumed This

Morning—Dingley Says Rates

Average Less Than the

McKinley Bill.

Washington, March 27.—In the house this morning the consideration of the tariff bill was resumed. The ways and means committee continued to offer amendments which were mostly adopted without opposition. The rates on acetate of white lead were increased from three and a half cents to four cents a pound; on collars 2½ to 3 cents. Commenting on these increases Richardson (Dem. Tenn.) declared the rates in twelve of the fourteen schedules of the bill were higher than those of the McKinley law. Dockery (Dem. Mo.) asked how that statement could be reconciled with Dingley's statement that the rates averaged between the McKinley law and the Wilson law. Richardson replied, a comparative statement did not support Dingley's assertion. Dingley said Richardson's remarks only illustrated what could be done by juggling with per centage. Except for the increased tariff on tobacco, sugar, and silk the rates in this bill are lower than the McKinley law.

Hopkins (Rep. Ill.) said there was no demand for a duty on hides. Walker (Rep. Mass.) explained that few hides were imported except those used for sole leather, so the duty on hides would be of little benefit to farmers. If the duty would increase their production in this country, he said, the Republicans would unanimously favor such duty. In regard to trusts Walker argued that exact combinations necessarily reduced the cost of production, consequently the price to the people. Trusts and the natural outcome of a higher civilization. He predicted that eventually all railroads would be controlled by a single corporation.

Simpson (Pop. Kan.) said the duty on hides would be of more importance to the farmer than all other duties in the agricultural schedule. It would mean an increase of a dollar each or nearly 5,000,000 hides taken from cattle slaughtered last year.

Payne (Rep. N. Y.) insisted that Simpson entirely misunderstood the question. The hides imported did not come into competition with the American hides. The former were used almost exclusively for sole leather.

WILD DISORDER AT CONVENTION

Crowd at an Arcola Meeting Which Believes It Has Been Ignored

Raises a Howl.

Arcola, Ill., March 27.—The business men and citizens' conventions were held last night. The following officers were nominated on the business men's ticket: Mayor, L. B. Chambers; treasurer, Gilbert B. Ward; clerk, W. B. Charleston; city attorney, E. L. Walker; police magistrate, Albert Chamberlain. Citizens: Clerk, J. Lavy; treasurer, Philip Ray, jr.; city attorney, Benjamin Gure; police magistrate, M. H. Bennett; alderman, First ward, W. H. H. Wilkinson; Second ward, A. E. Lewis; Third ward, C. I. Kagey.

When the nomination for city attorney came in order in the business men's convention, the name of E. L. Walker was presented, and he was nominated by acclamation. John M. Harlow, an aspirant for the office, it seems had been placed before the convention, but the chairman failed to hear the name. When the name of Walker was announced as elected by acclamation the great crowd became boisterous, and many of them jumped on chairs, declaring that Harlow must be recognized as a candidate. The chairman denounced, however, and the already incensed crowd continued to howl like mad men. Serious trouble was only averted by a reconsideration of the question and a vote which resulted in favor of Walker.

THE TRANSVAAL WARNED.